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PORT IMPROVEMENT
RAMA PORT FACILITIES EAST, NICARAGUA (SWN)

[REDACTED]

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: RECENT IMPROVEMENTS TO RAMA PORT FACILITIES EAST (FORMERLY REFERRED TO AS ARLENSIO PORT) WILL MOST LIKELY SUPPLEMENT EXISTING TRANSSHIPMENT FACILITIES 1 NM WEST AT RAMA PORT FACILITIES [REDACTED] RAMA PORT, APPROXIMATELY 30 NM UP THE RIO ESCONDIDO FROM THE COAST, IS THE PRIMARY INLAND TRANSSHIPMENT POINT FOR ARMS/CARGO ENTERING NICARAGUA FROM THE CARIBBEAN. (SWN)

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2. REMARKS: THE ORIGINAL FACILITIES AT RAMA PORT FACILITIES EAST LACKED AN OFFLOADING PLATFORM, INCLUDED ONLY ONE SMALL WAREHOUSE, AND WERE ONLY INFREQUENTLY USED. THE ADDITION OF A WAREHOUSE (APPROXIMATELY 56 METERS BY 31 METERS) AND A 30 METER WHARF, BOTH UNDER CONSTRUCTION, WILL ENHANCE THE TRANSSHIPMENT CAPABILITIES OF THIS PORT. ADEQUATE BERTHING SPACE WILL BE PROVIDED TO OFFLOAD THE SMALL COASTAL FREIGHTERS USED ON THE RIVER. THE NICARAGUAN MERSHIP NICARAO WAS BERTHED ALONGSIDE THE WHARF ON IMAGERY OF [REDACTED] (SWN)

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THE NEW FACILITIES WILL INCREASE OPEN AND COVERED STORAGE AS WELL AS THE BERTHING SPACE AVAILABLE FOR RECEIPT OF CARGO. THIS MAY INCLUDE ARMS TRANSSHIPMENTS, WHICH USUALLY INVOLVE THE TRANSFER OF CARGO FROM OCEAN-GOING MERSHIPS AT EL BLUFF PORT FACILITY [REDACTED] TO NICARAGUAN ROLL ON/ROLL OFF (RO/RO) SHIPS CAPABLE OF NAVIGATING UP RIVER TO RAMA. (SWN) [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 12-09-59N 084-13-58W (S)

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